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given-later." E. W. MITCHELL, Hon, Secretary. Hongkong, 30th January, 1807.

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Secretary. HEAD OFFICE. No. 2. QUEEN'S ROAD WEST. Hongkong, 25th May, 1804.

#### Intimations.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

URING my ABSENCE and until further notice Mr. MOWERAY STAFFORD NORTHCOTE has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. NOTICE

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. M. D. EZEKIEL in our FIRM in HONGKONG and SHANGHAI CEASED on the gist December, 1895. E. D. SASSOON & CO.

Franchone, 28th January, 1807 THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY. RIOTICE is hereby given that the

INTEREST of DAKIN, CRUICK. SHANK & Co., LIMITED, in the Business heretolore carried on by them at THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY CEASED and DETERMINED on the 14th instant. Outstanding Accounts of DAKIN, CRUICK SHANK & Co., LIMITED before the 14th instant will be PAID by the Undersigned who

will also Collect and Receive all Accounts DUE to the said Firm. The BUSINFSS will be carried on in the foture under the Style of "THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY."

For "THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY,"

Hongkong, 30th January, 1807.

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#### To-day's Addictingments.

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE, will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the fat February, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend, Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

NOTICE.

WILLISON'S GREAT WORLD

TRAINED ANIMAL EXHIBITION.



. IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE LATE ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER THIS MORNING.

THE OPENING PERFORMANCE IS UNAVOIDABLY

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(TUESDAY), 2ND FEBRUARY.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1807. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1897, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Dirattors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31 t, December, 1896, and of approving by resolution of the proposed purchase of Hung-Ham Inland Lots Nos. 171 and 172 and of the proposed extensions to Kowlean Marine Lot No. 27 and to Hung-Ham Marine

Lot No. 1 on lerms to be stated. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE.

Hongkong, 15' February, 1707. HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH , ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOL DERS in the above COMPANY will be held at

the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on FRIDAY, the 26th day of February, 1897, at 12.30 of the clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 2806, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th . February, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO. LD. Hongkong, 30th January, 1807.

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness of Cargo by, her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Whari and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notices to the contrary be given before Noon

TO-DAY. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 7th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees are requested to present all Claims

for damages and/or shortages not later than the 14th instant, otherwise they will not be recognised. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 8th instant, at II A.M. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, 1st February, 1807. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT). HE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG," Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 18th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents

Hongrong, 15th Soptember, 1806, Houskons, ist Tebruary, 1547.

### Co-dan's Advertisements.

MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, HAVE This Day HANDED OVER CHARGE of this Branch of the BARK to

Mr. JOHN THURBURN. J. W. R. TAYLOR. Hongkong, 1st February, 1807

NOTICE. TITE have This Day OPENED a BRANCH of our Firm in SHANGHAL.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. Hongkong, 1st February, 1807.

NOTICE.

I I JE have THIS DAY established ourselves at HANKOW and CANTON. Mr. JOH THYEN has been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm at HANKOW. Mr. W. MELCHERS has been Authorized o Sign our Firm per Procuration at CANTON. - MELCHERS & CO.

Hongkong and Shanghal, 1st February, 1897.

> PUBLIC AUCTION BILLIARD TABLES:

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION SATURDAY, the 6th February, 1897. commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUDDELL STREET. ONE THURSTON'S ENGLISH, Full Shed

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GEO. P. LAMMERT. Auctioneer. Hongkong, 1st February, 1807.

### Intimations.

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1897.

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S. WATSON & CO., LD. THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

### The Hongkong Celegraph

HOMOROMO, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1807.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA:

We gather from the latest Indian exchanges that the panic which has set in amongst the trading and artisan classes at Bombay has at length reached the mill-hands and two Bombay mills have closed in consequence of the determination of the workers to leave the city. Up to the date of latest advices the mills had been particularly free from plague and the panic is ascribed chiefly to the example set to the men by some native managers in leaving the city. A general exodus of the mill population of the city would mean the addition of close upon quarter of a million people to the ranks of the unemployed in the country tricts. These people would resources and exhaust supporting had voluntarily abandoned remunerative employment would probably fall upon the

State at a time when the famine will be absorbing every available rupes. Letters continue to be received by the Press urging the closing or removal of the Government Law Class and the closing of the schools and colleges. The Government has, however, wisely decided not to close these institutions in order to give no encouragement to the wholesale flight now taking place. Next to the measures that are being taken to keep the city clean, nothing can be of greater importance than the endeavours that are being made to hold the population together and prevent

unnecessary panic. The lamentable death of Dr. MANSER has a significance from a professional point of view which must be regarded as of the highest importance. .. It establishes the important fact that a large category of cases in which the early and predominating symptoms are mainly respiratory are really cases of bubonic plague. In three instances the bodies of hospital patients who were reported to have ded of pneumonia have been examined during the last few days, and bacterial observation made it clear that, though there was a complete absence of bubonic symptoms, plague was the real cause of death. This being the case, the difficulty of dealing with the disease is so much the greater, inasmuch as these cases have not the more obvious symptoms of plague, and are pobably diagnosed as pneumonia, fever, or bronchitis; hence they are not reported as plague, and no disinfection or other

effective precaution is taken. --Plague has also broken out at Poma and the authorities are taking all possible steps to prevent the spread of the diseae. So far as can be ascertained the cases ire confined to persons who had lately visled Bombay; but this can hardly now be said of Eurrachee, where the plague seems to have got a firm footing.

· Crowded meetings of all nationaltes continue to be held at various places to discuss methods of checking the spread of the disease and to provide for the seregation of the inmates of houses in wich cases have occurred.

### TELEGRAMS.

[Special to Hongkong Telegraph.] THE CELEBRATION OF TH QUEEN'S REIGN.

A CORRECTION.

SINGAPORE, February 1. It should have been "stated that the Municipal vote is 85,000 for festivitieand \$50,000 for a permanent memori of public utility. The Government citribute equal sums for these objects. The general public will be asked to contoute \$100,000 towards the memorial.

[The message published in our last sue, which is now corrected, read as follows :- The Singapore Municipality have voted \$5,0 festivities in connection with the celebran of the Queen's long reign in June next. Omun dred thousand dollars have also been vot for a permanent memorial of public utility/The Government has signified its intention to atribute similar sums towards these objects."

REUTER'S MESSAGE. SOUTH AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, January In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain moved the re-appointment the Chartered South Africa Company His Committee with the addition of Sir J. Luck. Mr. J. M. Maclean moved an amendia to drop the Enquiry, which he said was intedient and peedless.

Sir J. Lubbock, who seconded the endment, sald that it was the duty of the His to The debate was adjourned.

On the resumption of the debatter. Chamberlain made a most impressive th in which he urged that the proposed Mirv causes thereof, namely, the grievances the repeated promises to consider the grieve of letters will be sent out from the Post Office. the Ultlanders had been but meagrely and that portions of the laws recently pa the Transvaal were contrary to the Convention and had not improved the sipu. which had latterly shown an undoubled wal-

Mr. Chamberlain's, motion was carried but a division.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA 16 to India immediately, and has applicate | stances.

### TELEGRAMS.

Army Medical Department for volunteers for plague service in India. Those who are selected will start for Rombey immediately.

Special to Kobe Chronicia) THE CAREW CASE. THE DIFENCE OF MES. CARRY.

**Уоконама**, Jan. 231d. Mr. Lowder to-day com- enced his address in delence of Mis. Carew. He was about half through it at noon, when the Court adjourned till In the afternoon the Jury inspected the house

(From Kobe Chronicle.) THE GERMAN MINISTER AND THE

lately occupied by the Carews.

- STUDENTS. Tokio, January 23rd. A communication was recently made by the authorities of the Metropolitan Police Bureau to the German Minister in regard to the alleged essent by His Excellency on two students of the Seljo Gakko. The German-Minister has replied caving that he had no intention of sigiking the students, but if the whip did in fact touch them. he was very serry and ready to apologise. The Police authorities have referred the reply to the Foreign Minister to-day,

As a question was asked respecting this that the results of negotiations will be reported to the House and the German Minister will write a letter of apology. It has been sumoured that the German Minister would go home in consequence of the trouble. This is incorrect. His term of service has expired, but His Excellency will not return to Germany until the pegotiations for the supplementary treaty are completed. He is therefore expected to remain in Tokio till about March next.

THE NAVAL PROGRAMME.

TOKIO, January 23rd. The Ministry has smended the naval extension scheme proposed by the last Ministry. It has been decided to increase the tonnage of the four first-class croivers, for the first stage of the extension, from 7,500 tons to 0 000 tons and also to extend the steel armour below the water line. Alterations have also been made in the plans for the two first-class craisers for the second stage, making the vestels asmoured croisers. When the whole programme is completed, there will in the Japanese Navy eight armoured ciulsers, each 9,000 tons, and four battle-ships, each of va.coo tons. The total tonnage of the naval fleet will be over 225,000

> (From L'Aventr du Tonkin.) THE ITALIAN CHAMBER. PARIS, January 22nd

The Italian Chamber is dissolved. THE TSAR.

PARIS, January 22nd The Tear was present yesterday at a review of the St. Petersburg Garrison.

THE PLAGUE CONFERENCE. PARIS, Tanuary 24th

France will join the sanitary conference which is to meet at Vienne. She has forbidden the Mahommedene of Algeria, Tunis, and Senegal to go on pligrimage to Mecca. THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

PARIS, January 2370 The bubonic plague is apreading in towns it the neighbourherd of the city of Bombay.

(From Bangkok Observer) NOTHING SETTLED. LONDON, Jan. 15th. The statement of the New York World as

to Spain and America having come to an agreement with respect to Cuba is denied in

AUSTRIA AND GERMANY. LONDON, January 17th, Count Goluchowski is visiting Berilo and has been received with marked honour. There is no doubt that his visit has a special political

THE NIGER EXPEDITION.

LONDON, January 10th. Two hundred mailnes have been ordered to Renin, as well as the St. George, the flagship at the Cape.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH. Parliament has been opened. The Queen's speech refers to the massacres in Turkey, to the Dongola expedition, and to the Arbitration treaty with America. The Queen further directs the Government to take the most stringent possible measures to eradicate the plague in India.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE Princess Wilhelm leit for a cruise yester-

THE French cruiser Isly left yesterday ic Touron. A CRICKET match-Hills v. Plains-will be

played to-morrow, transiling commencing & II s.m. ALL the Banks and Insurances Offices, the Post

Office and other Government\_offices will be closed to-morrow. ANOTHER military concert will be given in the Theatre Royal on Saturday, 6th inst, when the

Batile of Waterloo illustrated by music will be

one of the chief items. consider the best interests of the Empand THE Straits Times, of the 22nd, January conthat the enquiry would revive racial togs tains the following announcement :- From Bombay we learn by wire sto-day that the plague is decreasing there. Yesterday, there were sixtynine cases and seventy-five deaths.

If the mail boat arrives from Shanghai tomust apply equally to Jameson's raid sthe morrow—and it is highly probable that she will be here in the forencon-the Post Office will be Ultianders. Ho said that President For's opened for delivery for one hour only, but no

THERE was a good deal of surprise in the city to-day at about Hr a.m. when it was known that the M. M. liner Oceanien, which was to leave at daylight for Shanghal, was coming up the harbour again. We are informed by the manager of the Company that a dense log obscured the Mr. Maclean withdraw his amendmend Ly-co-moon Pass, and, after waiting a while, it was decided to take the vessel through the Green Island Pass instead. The for showed no sign of clearing for several hours and the naviga-The India Office has ordered the off of tion of Ly-co-moon with so large a vessel would the Medical Department now on leave tirm | have been very hazardous under the circum-

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognise, provisionally, Mr. C. Bearmann as in charge of the Danish Consulate, during the temporary absence of the Consul for Denmark.

A DIVIDEND of 71 per cent, on the reduced share capital for the wesking year ending 30th June, 1896, has been declared by the Florio Rubattino Steamship Company.

DURING the week ended the 17th ultimo 124 cases of small-pox were reported in Kobe prefecture. In Osaka 45 cases were reported on the 17th ultime, 24 cases occurring in the urban

THE departure of the Belgie for Honolulu and San Francisco is Indefinitely pestponed." The next Pacific Mall liner leaving for San Francisco will be the Perse, sailing at noon on the Eath Instant.

\* To-MORROW being Chinese New Year Day there will be no issue of the Hongkeng Telegraph, and we therefore avail ourselves of this opportunity to wish our Chinese friends

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS MEW YEAR.

matter in the House of Representatives, it is said THE Z. G. C. Express says :- The present year may see a change of Governors in Hongkong, 'as Sir William Robinson is believed to desire a holiday. Rumour siso says that the Governor of the Straits will be returning on leave, and is unlikely to go out again.

> MR. F. L. Y. Marlyn, manager of Willison's Great World Circus, informs us that the opening has had to be postponed until to-morrow night in consequence of some of the equipment being late in coming to hand. The horses and animals have arrived here in aplendid condition.

OWING to pressure on our space we are reluct antly compelled to hold over a budget of interesting." Turf Notes " by Early Bird. We shall give them together with a report of Wednesday's gallops in our next issue, f.e. on the 3rd instant and we promise our readers that they will be Interesting.

MESSES Benjamin, Kelly and Potts in their Share Report issued this afternoon state:-During the few-days open to business a fair amount has been transacted, but without changing rates to any material extent, with the exception of Chica Fires, which have had a sharp

It is very annoying to strangers in these parts to be chested by offensive coolies demanding more than the proper fare. \_ This morning one of this ilk, Lan Lung, was charged at the Magistracy with trying to extort more than the legal fare and, admitting the offence, was promptly fined \$5.

LEUNG CHI, a twiffer, was charged before Capt, Hastings this morning for carrying arms through the streets on the 30th ultimo without a license and threatening to shoot P.C. 302, who arrested him. He was fined \$100 with the falternative of 6 months' hard labour for the first offence and TA days for the second. Being unable to pay the fine, he went in.

A RUMOUR was current this morning to th effect that four cases of plague had been reported to the Sanitary authorities during the past 36 hours. We have made careful inquiries and are glad to find that there is not a vestige of truth in the report. No cases of plague have been reported for a long time past, and the death-rate is lower than it has been for years past.

THE L. & C. Express says :- The able letters that are appearing from the Special Correspondent of the Times in China as to the finances o that country are certainly interesting reading and if the facts are not quite new they are at all events presented under new aspects. again exemplify a point we have more than once commented on, namely, the curious speciacle of a people that, in its commercial classes, can stand forth as of the highest probity, whilst the official classes vie with Turkey for-corruption and venality. Unlike Turkey, however, both official and commercial classes

in China spring from the same stock. The letters tend to show, as other recent evidence has done, that China can support the burden of the large indemnity she has to pay, even without an increase of the tariff, if her finances were only properly administered, and with more liberal treatment accorded to commerce. foreign merchant is also not unwilling to agree an augmentation of the tariff in return for definite knowledge of what lekin consists, and for increase in facilities of transport.

CENSUS 1897.

Europeans and other Male, Female, Total, The Fook ..... 444 3,808g 9,324 Hr.B.-Ct.Gr.Is.&c.

Mercentile Marine 442 9 450 1,496 Total ...... 4,586 1,305 . 7,000 161,427 66,955 ect,900

Total of all Nationalities (exclusive of Military and Naval establishment), 236,382. 1891. ...

Kuropeans and other Non-Chinese. Male. Female, Total, Male, Female, Total \*\*\*\* \* \*\*\*\*\* T5,490 . \$,400 . 29.009 Total ...... 1.471 8,567 5.360 107.910 45.367 177,507 Floating Population ..... 25 2,016 20,318 22,908 25,015 Mercantile Marine 997 25 2,016 2,016 29 7,053

Total of all nutlemalities (exclusive of Military and Maval establishments), 517,273.

INDIAN RAMINE RELIEF FUND.

A meeting of the Indian Famine Relief Committee was hold to-day at the Colonial Secretary's Office, Sir J. W. Carrington (Chief Justice) presiding. There were also present Mr. Justice Sercombe Smith, Hous. J. H Stewart Lockhart, E. R. Beillios, C.M.G., C. P. Chater, Dr. Ho Kai, Wei Yuk, J. J. Bell-Irying and T. H. Whitehead | Messrs J. J. Francis, Q.C., E. W. Mitchell, St. C. Michaelsen, A. McConschle, A: Coxon, N. J. Ede, D. R. Sassoon, N. A. Siebs, A. G. Romano, Ho Amel, J. S. Van Buren, S. . Raymond, T. Jackson, J. Y. Vernon, H. N. Mody, Li Sing, D. Gillies and D. R. Crawford.

The Chairman read the following telegrams:--" From the Governor to the Viceroy of India: -Would a small contribution from Hongkong to Famine Fund be acceptable?

"From the Viceroy to the Gavernor. Hong-The Famine Fund Committee will thankfully

accept any contributions." "From the Central Committee, Calcutta, to the Governor, Hongkong :- The Central Commilitee of the Indian Famine Fund, Calcutta, earnestly solicits your cordial co-operation. Highest possible scope for private benevolence outside State relief, system. -- Area and numbers affected enormous; distress rapidly increasing. Feel-sure privations of millions of industrious poor will arouse profound sympathy of all classes and all nations. . Committee make urgent appeal to you to organise relief fund. Will bedeeply grateful for contributions which will be publicly acknowledged. Sir Francis MacLean, Chief Justice of Bengal, is chairman of com-

The acting local Manager of the Telegraph Company (Mr. Bullard) notified the Private Secretary that his Company would convey all messages between the Governor and the Vicerov. free of charge, and he had instructed the Madras office to the same effect.

Mr. T. Jackson was appointed hon, treasures to the fund and Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart was appointed hon, secretary. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., proposed that the committee should place itself in communication with the committee to be formed for the cele-

and invite them to consider the advisability of devoting part of any funds they raised to the Famine Relief Fund. Mr. Vernon seconded the motion. Mr. Jackson opposed, saying that the Famine Fund should be entirely separate from the Cele-

bration of Her. Majesty's foth year of reigning

bration Fund. Mr. Ede also opposed the proposal,— Mr. Justice Sercombe Smith spoke in support of Mr. Francis's motion.

On a division being taken the motion was negatived by 13 votes to 8. It was decided to issue subscription lists forthwith and the Tung Wa Hospital committee is to be communicated with in order to raise subscriptions amongst the Chinese residents, The latter movement was proposed by Mr. Ho Me and seconded by the Hon. Wei Yok.

### THE MILITARY CONCERT.

Lovers of martial music had a rich treat in the Theatre Royal on Saturday night when the full bands (brass and drums and files) of the West Yorks repeated the grand military concert lately given by them at the Rink. Mr. Sam. Marks, the manager, was wise in having secured the Theatre for the occasion, every part of the house being crowded. The programme consisted of solos and operatic selections in the first part, the piccolo performance being notably brilliant A new feature in the concert was a beautiful descriptive fantasia entitled "The Smithy in the Wood," andothe sweet music of birds, the villagers' bymu, and the clang of the blacksmith's "sledge" were listened to with rapt attention and most enthusiastically applauded, the encore being inevitable. A cornet solo "The Lost Chord " was particularly good, and the full band next gave a selection from William Tell " (Rossini). The piece de resistance was the "British Army Quadrilles." in which the music illustrates the movements in a military camp, the attack, a battle and the victory of the British arms. The success of the performance was remarkable and the bandsmen were heartly cheered when they, illustrated the entry of English, Irish and Scottish regiments, the latter of course being played in with the bagpipes. "See the Conquering Hero comes " made a fitting finale to the piece. Afterwards "God Bless the Prince of Wales" and the National Anthom were played and the audience remained standing throughout instead of hurrying off. as is usually the case. The West Yorks handmaster, Mr. W. G. Bentley, A.R.C.M., is once more to be congratulated on the perfection to which he has brought his hand, such a finebody of musicians being a valuable acquisition. to Hongkong, and one that is highly appreciated.

GERMANY AND CHINA.

A SCHEME FOR THE PARTITION OF CHIMA

We find it stated in the London and China Express of January 1st, received by the French mail yesterday, that the Berlin correspondent of a leading London daily reports that in commercial circles in Germany, far more than among fournalists and politicians, the new Russo-Chinese Convention is the subject of lively discussion. It is generally togarded as another masterpieco of Russian diplomacy. Walle Europe, and above all Germany, were courting and flattering Li Hung-chang, who graciously condescended to make vague and empty promises, Russia in all secreey was seaping the fruits. The question is asked-What should be the attitude of Germany in view of the ever-increasing influence of Russia in North China? It is the duty of Germany to attempt some adjustment which would give to Germany a territory and too late. It is generally accepted in Berlin that Russian influence will now extend an far wouth as the Yellow River, and that England has the best claims to the come and Hinterland south of the Yangtare. If the German sphere of influence could be so settled that Germany would commercially control the territory between the Yellow River and the Yangteze River, it would be taken as a sails. factory solution of a threatening problem which must be faced somer or later by the great commercial Powers of Europe. The Yellow River would be the boundary between the Russian and German spheres of Influence. and the Yangiase would divide these of Germany and England. While France gladly consents to the extension of Russian power towards the Yellow River, it is more than probable that she would object to the parcelling out of the remaining portions of China proper for commercial purposes. Accordingly it is proposed to allow France to occupy the entire province of Yunner as far as the north-eastern boundary of Burnale and the head-waters of the Brahmaputsa,

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

The sixth annual meeting of the members of the above well managed and most useful Institution was held on Saturday last at o p.m. in the Rooms, 13 Prays Central. Mr. W. Ramssy Superintendent Engineer of the China Navigation Company, presided and was supported by: Misses. A. Bain and J. D. Christle on the right and Messre. J. B. Consins, and J. B. Duncan on the left, and there was a very good attendance.

The Chairman-Gentlemen, I have great pleasure in congratulating your managing committee on the splendid balance sheet which they have presented you with on the occasion of this the sixth annual meeting. Later on the hon. treasurer will give you a initer statement in connection with our finances, which you will find full of interest. We all very much regret the unavoidable absence of our worthy President, Our members, as you will see by the report, continue to facrease, the number being 127 rgainst 280 last year. Thi ils a healthy sign, and we all trust it may always be so. You will notice that death has been' very rile amongst us during the past year and the names have been inserted in the report ;" this. I-think, is a good thing to do and esta blishes an official record of departed members, The three competitive papers will be out of the printer's hands in three or four weeks' time and be read as soon as possible thereafter. You will notice the paragraph on the lease of premiser, . In the first place there is a slight typographical error, 1895 being inscrited instead of 1897. Rents are sising all along the Prays front, and we had to accept the terms of the new lesse last November, or be prepared to quit in June next. After careful consideration your committee decided that the best interests of the Institute would be served by their acceptance of thanew lease. Our dances and smoking concerts continue to maintain their popularity, the last dance given on the 18th December being attended by about 400 guests : the thanks of this Institute are due to those gentlemen who have laboured hard to make thege entertainments so successful. Now I come to a very important item, our finances. When I say finances I do not mean to encroach on the coming remarks from the boo, treasurer. I approach this item simply to draw your united attention to a small cloud that shades the financial horizon of this Institute, which, if encouraged, might assume such dimensions-as to threaten us with disaster, namely, "Bad debts and tardy payments." You must bear in mind that rent, wages, supplies, dance expenses, &c., have all to be paid and that, too, at the commencement of each month. Some members seem to forget this, but I can assure them, and you all, that ready payments afford your committee, tressurer, and secretary much more pleasure in the working of this Institute. In connection with our last dance \$613 has been collected, but there still remains a sum of \$281 outstanding. All the bills have been paid, and so far the Institute has been a sufferer financially : but when all subscriptions are paid we hope to have a credit balance. There is one pleasant aspect respecting the item "bad debts." Your committee do not care to carry doubtful debts over too long; therefore, to be safe, they write them off. You will see that the amount written off in 1895 was \$220 and that during 1895 no less a sum than \$107 of this was recovered. That is a good sign, but the very best sign would be the utter extinction of the "bad debt" item. Your retiring committee descripe the best thanks of the Institute for the time the Russian loan was advanced to pay off able manner in which they have carried on their I the Japanese indemnity for the retrocession of duties ; the result of the ballot for your new committee I will announce after the hon. Treasurer has given us his report.

Mr. J. B. DUNCAN, hon. Treasurer, in presenting his statement of account, said-Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I need scarcely say that it has given me great pleasure as hon, treasurer to see the marked increase in the receipts from al zources during the past financial year, and it is to be exmestly hoped that this increase may be even more manifest at the end of the current year. I do not think that it is necessary for me to take up any of your valuable time with remarks anent the statement of accounts, as I am sure you will agree with me that they are as plain as it is possible to make them. Should, however, any gentleman present wish to ask any questions regarding the year's work I shall have much pleasure to answering same to the best of my very interesting article to the London and abilliy.

There were no questions and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and the statement of accounts.

which was carried unanimously.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. A. Bain, a very hearty vote of thanks was carticle in question reads as follows :given to the settring hop. Sacretary and hon. Treasurer.

Mr. J. D. CHRISTIE seconded the resolution,

A ballot was then taken for the new Committee, resulting as follows :- Messrs. J. B. Cousins, W. Ramsay. W. K. Wylle, W. G. Winterburn, Newman Mumford, A. Bain, H. B. Bridger, R. Mitchell, A. Sinclair, and J. R. Mudle. Mr. Wylle said he thought Mr. Mumford

would not like to serve on the Committee, In conclusion, Mr. Kerr, in a graceful speech moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Remsey for kind! presiding and this being carried by acclamation

the business was brought to a conclusion.

The following officers for the ensuing year were elected smidst loud applause-Mr. D. Giller, President ; Mesers. A. Bain, and J. B. Cousins, Vice-Presidents; Mr. E. J. Main, hon; Secretary; Mr. J. R. Mudie, hon. Treasurer Messrs. J. L. Prosser and A. Ewing, auditors,

THE CONCERT.

of full justice being done to the highly success. Incorrect news, falsely estimated opinions, the bamboo & la Chinoiss and be sent about his business. Mr. Ramsay presided at this concert '&c., furnished in many cases purposely by far more lasting effect on men of his class than. and an admirable chairman he made, every- people interested in fostering the rebellion, and providing him with board and lodging for three thing going on as smoothly and harmoniously i in others by persons either entirely ignorant of months at the colony's expense and putting him as persible from the commencement to the finish, the matter in hand or whose feelings of slarm to herd with men of his own calibre, who will when the whole company joined in singing for personal safety overcloud their calm judg- of course sympathics with him, the sesult being are addressed.

And Lang Syne." Where all did their ment. If news of the rebellion is worth publish. that he will probably come out of gaol feeling 44 turns," as the ubiquitous "C. T." styles. It, Ing at all, it should be worth the while obtaining that he is a very ill-used man and deserving the excellently, comparisons would be invidious, but it from a reliable source. So far there has been | sympathy of his fellows all the world over, special mention may be made of Mr. Bridger's no attempt whatever to publish events in | On the Continent the military system teaches efforts, for he was in fice voice, put considerable | chronelogical order, and the Press, in its anxiety | men the value of discipline, and it is a pity that | feeling into his lines and sichly deserved the topublish news of any kind from any available | England with all her science and education canloud applause that followed his retirement from source, has at three different dates, ranging not invent a system which, before all things, the platform. Mr. Kew's phonograph was also in from about Nov. 20 to Nov. 24, published will teach her people wherein alone lies true capital voice and it was quite a revelation to the repulse of the Spanlerds at Noveleta, freedom, that which, as a great writer (Ruskin, I hear it washle, whistle, play a whole hand of which, being in really only one, appears think) has well said, " to be luxurious means music, and " hold forth" like a Member of Parlia- to the ordinary, reading public as three, ment on the stump. Mr. C. T. Robinson fairly It is a curious fact that although the loyal troops | the rogue means rapine, and the fool equality; brought down the house with his " At my Time | obtained a signal victory at Binacayan, some | by which the proud mean anarchy, and the of Life." dressed to kill in ladies' attire, and for the five miles south-east of Novelets, on the very | pegligent mean yielence, Call it by any other inevitable encore he gave " For the Little Ones | name day (Nov. 9 to 11), this victory has only | name than this, but its truest and best is at Home" in grand style. He was recalled for I been reported once. this effort and, changing from head to foot with lightning speed, he appeared on the hoards got | Davidson and "Alphia," are not to be relied on up in a 'killing' costume and told us about The former was actually in Hongkong when the Merchant Service, cause owners to prefer "All that he could spare." J. B. Dancan, Mr. I some of the events he reports took place, and foreigners, as being more amenable to discipling Smart and others were equally successful, and I the latter, if he be not hand in glove with the and on whom British seames out of work may mil who had the good fortune to be present voted | rebels, is, to say the least, a most sincere | well lay a great deal of blame. the whole function one of the most enjoyable riunions ever held under the suspices of spondents, published in the Honghong Press' Engineers' Institute.

THE RUSSO-CHINESE

CONVENTION.

[Morning Post, December 26th.]. The denials which have been freely circulated, apparently with official sanction, concerning the existence of a new Treaty between Russia and China, seem to call for some further explanation; in view of the recent Imperial Ordinance Issued in St. Peters barg, giving the Emperor's authority. to the atticles of association of a new Company, entitled the Eastern Chinese Rallway Company. who have followed the events which have succeeded the retrocession of the Lizating Peninsula to China that-one of the Articles to the sileged Treaty stipulated that China consents | read in the Daily Graphic, of Dec. 18, a stateto allow Russia to prolong her railway into Chinese territories from the Russian port of Viadivostock this the Chinese city of Hunchup, in the province of Kirls, and from a railway station of some city in Siberia to Alyun in the Hellung- to free themselves from the obnoxious and chiang province. From this place the railway, according to the Article in question; is to-pass southwestwards to the provincial capital of Teltslbar, and from that place to Petuse, where it will join with Kirin. If this Treaty be the fable it has been represented to be, then how comes It that the Emperor has given his sanction to a Company which has been formed "to construct and work a ratiway in Chinese territory from a point on the western frontier of the province of Hellungchiang to a point on the eastern frontler of the province of Kirla," which line is to be connected with the branches that the Russian Government intend to construct in order to join the Trans-Siberian Rallway with the new-line? It may be, of course, that the version of the Treaty which has reached this country is incorrect in some minor particulars, but the fact that it has received confirmation from the highest authority in one important matter leaves but little room to doubt that the contradictions given were of the character, so well known in diplomatic-circles. In other words, the agreement between China and Russia was only premainrely disclosed." Other significant facts are that the formation of the Company which is entrusted with the construction of the railway is to be furthe bands of the Russo-Chinese Bank, and the bolders of shares are to be limited to Russian and Chinese subiects. It is well known that one of the main objections which the Chinese authorities have always advanced against—the building of railways in China isthat the contracts would have to be entrusted to foreigners, who would thus gain a footing in the Empire, a matter in their opinion most disastrous to the welfare of the country. Even Li Hung-chang, when niging the building of railways upon the Emperor, made it imperative that only Chinese subjects should be shareholders in the companies which he knew would have to be formed. With these facts before us it is difficult to come to any other conclusion than that, so far as Manchuris is concerned, the Emperor of Russia has made the Tsung-li Yamen understand that Chinese and Russian subjects are one. More over, it can scarcely be forgotten that at the the territory taken from China it was generally understood that Manchuria had in some was or other been mortgaged to Russia. To that report the same official deviat was given. Recent events, however, seem to confirm the suggestion and, taken with the issue of an Imperial Ordinance sanctioning the exclusive right of the Russo-Chinese Bank to Intervene financially, it is diffi cult to arrive at any other conclusion than that

THE REBELLION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

an understanding exists between China and

Russia in which the annexation of Manchuria

forms no unimportant pari.

"A Recently Arrived Resident " contributes a China Express of the 1st January in which new light is thrown on the true causes of the rebellion in the Philippines and the well-formed opinions of " Impartial," whose interesting letter to the Hongkong Telegraph was published on the 10th November last, are endorsed. The

Spain is passing through one of the hardest crises, perhaps, ever recorded in the annals of her history, and is bravely straining every nerve to pull through to a successful issue. Her troubles are many, and she is generally considered weak; but the very greatness of her troubles is bringing out her innate strength and pluck. The way in which she has an speedily transported to Cuba and the Philippines 250,000 fully and wall equipped soldiers is the mervel of the day. And while she is pluckly lighting her battles under such disadvantages as should merit for her the sympathy of every European power, and especially so in her struggle with the Philippines, it is greatly to be deplored that the English Press should have unwittingly admitted and published so many satisfies from unreliable sources that are most prejudicial and unfair to her cause.

The Press complains—and certainly with great reason-that it is difficult, or next to impossible, to obtain correct information regarding affairs in the Philippines, but the position is as We regret that neither time nor space permit | certainly not to be improved by publishing ful "smoker" that followed the transaction of exaggerated accounts of cruelties and tertures, business. Such punishment would produce a

> The correspondents of the Hongkong papers, sympathiser. The otters of these two porreeasted great indignation among the foreign

best informed among them was deputed to write to the Press reluting the many false statements made. This was done "Impart'al in a long and interesting letter, published in the malf-supplement of the Houghang Telegraph of Nov. 19th. This letter, authorited by the foreign residents of Manila, plainly shows that their sympathies are not at all with the rebels; and, in face of the Little clan of massingle devised by the native for the destruction of the Spaniards, it is utterly impossible that any civilised being should sympathise with them. The plan was that each servant should murder bis master, each subor-It will be well within the memory of most people | dinate his chief, and when the Independent Republic had been declated, a Statue of Liberty was to be raised over their bedies in the field of Bagumbayan, on the scashore. It is, therefore, astounding to all old Philippine residents to ment made by a correspondent, who declares himself to be a resident of ten years' standing, so atrocious "we that " The sympathies of the foreigners are entirely with the plucky islanders, and it is hoped that they will be able rotten Spanish yoke which has now oppressed them for three centuries." It must be apparent to the most superficial observer that the foregoing sentence is pungent, with malice and hatred against the Spaniards and cantherefore," only have emanated from a gobel source, or from the brain of a warm partisan. certainly is not written by any foreign resident parallel with the Amur. On the other hand, of any standing in Manile, and its publication | the natural difficulties of the Russian route | 1878-Armed attack by Chinese robbers on the has been received with great indignation by all would raise the price of construction to £0,000 old Philippine residents now established in this per verst, whereas through Manchuria the line city, and there is no doubt whatever that the will probably not cost more than fr,000, which foreign colony in Manila will receive it with, it would make a saving, according to present calanything, greater ladigitation. The same writer's | culations, of about £0,500,000. The main artery assertions with regard to the volunteers are on- of Northern Manchuria through which the rail. tirely faise. The foreign residents, as well as the Spaniards, owe in a great measure their salety | ries, navigable for about 460 miles by boats not during the first few weeks of the rebellion to the vigilance of these respectable bodies. When the rebellion broke out Manila was simust entirely without soldiers, and in the short space of seventy-two hours 1,200 volunteer infantiy were equipped for guard duty, and about 100 cavalry for entpost and messenger duty, and these two bodies have conducted themselves most creditably since the start. A small body of thirty guerilla volunteers were disbanded by order of the General for abyers they had committed, but they had nothing whatever to do with the other woldr teers. The statement that these always took to their beels when the rebels showed themselves is false on the face of it, as they were restricted entirely to guard and outpost duty, and there is no case on record since the beginning of the rebellion of the rebels having been able to penetrate the lines.

> Since the beginning of the war, also, the rebels have been ignominiously beaten whenever they have fought in the open, with the sole exception of Talisay, where the loyals were one hundred against one thousand, and the places where the rebels have so far held good are in the fortified towns of Imus, Silang, San Francisco de Malabon, Novelets, and Naic. In these places they are strongly fortified, and it will require hard fighting to dislodge them. They got possession of these towns in the heaviest, past of the wet season, and owing to the prudent measures General Blanco was obliged to adopt with only Indian troops at hand to rely on, they had ample time to fortify themselves; on all solle ground before the arrival of troops from Spain Even when these arrived it was impossible to attack their strong positions, as the approaches were all through awampy ground, but once the dry season has set well in, the operation of taking their positions will not be the impossible task some writers would have us believe. The last rains are over in December, and about the middle of January what is now soit swampy ground will be caked over hard enough admit of the troops approaching for attack or all sides. The strongholds referred to are all comprehended in an area not exceeling thirty miles square. In fact, the whole tract actively affected by the rebellion does not exceed one handred miles square. No great importance should be attached to the rebels on the northern' side of Manila, as they are very badly armed, their arms consisting chiefly of boled (like infersect the Chinese frontier at Old Tsurakis quite impossible to ascertain the number of and Ninguts, joining the Southern Utsur side, but they evidently have a fair supply, Nikolskays. The total distance of the Manhave a number of plantecas (very small Q46 will pass through Chinese territory. It will they toad with slugs, and they are deadly Russian border, and at most 400 miles, south also two or three old pieces of cannon. There and more productive soil. - Daily News. is at the present date no other active rebellion in any other part of the islands and there is no doubt that once Imus, Silang, San Francisco de Malabon, Novelcta and Naic are taken, the backbone of the rebellion will be broken,

-In-the meantime, however, commercial interests in Luson are in a most unsettled state. The sugar crops of Taal and Lake districts will be reduced in the ensuing year to next to nothing; the natives in the hemp provinces are unsettled and disinclined for work, and the provincial merchants are burrying their stocks into market as fast as they can, in fear of further trouble and in the north, the tobacco and rice merchants are in the same state.

"CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this columns.] FOREIGNERS IN BRITISH SHIPS.

To the Rotton or the "Hongkong Telegraph," SIR,-Would you kindly allow me space for s few lines ve your very able article on " Foreigners in British Ships ! published in your issue of the 28th January. It contained words of wisdom emphasising astounding facts, and the expression of opinions which, I think, every sensible

Britisher will heartily endorse.

What a pity it is that such a man as Franklin, of the Canton, cannot be given go strokes with

license, and the reckless mean change; by which

obedlence." It is, sir, as you assert, such .. unruly persons as Ecanklin who bring disgrace upon the Bd

BRITISH SAILOR. Canlott, goth Januare, 1897.

residents in Manile, and rae of the oldest and THE RUSSO-CHINESE RAILWAYS.

From our European exchanges we cull the following pertinent remarks about the railway that Russia is about to construct in Manchuria :-

The Times remarks that Russia has secured not only a short cut through Manchuria for the Trans-Stherlan Reliesy to Visdivestock, but also certain commercial advantages for the overland trade in which she is specially interested, It remains to be seen hew far there advantages are consistent with the most-lavoured-nation principle. That is a question which the British Government will have to consider very carefully. All we demand from China is that we should have, in commercial competition, a fals field and no fayour, but we may pretty safely assume that Lord Salisbury will not be inclined to regard very favourably a proposal to increase the Import duties at the Treaty Ports when the Import duties on the land frontier are being considerably diminished.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times writes :- As explained in a previous despatch, the Manchurian Railway will traverse oso miles of Chinese territory; and it now turns out that with the extra branches to be made to the Chinese frontier from the two existing sections of the Siberian Rallway, the Manchurlan route necessitates 160 miles of rails more than would be required on the Russian route running way will oun is the river Sungari and its tributadrawing more than tit, of water,

The German newspapers, which at first mainfested some reserve, now discuss in detail the bearings of the arrangement upon the development of the Far Eastern question. In many instances doubt'is expressed as to whether the concessions obtained by Russia in connection with the Eastern Chinese Rallway represent all the myantages secured by her, and more than one ourns! points out that, though the cost of land transport is necessarily greater than that of transport by sea, the diminution of the frontier dues by one-third ought, in accordance with the most-favoured-nation principle, to be extended to all pations possessing commercial treaties with China: What attitude, it is asked, will Russia assume if it is made clear to her that the privileges secured by the arrangement with the Russo-Chinese Bank are incompatible with the imposts hitherto levied upon foreign goods in Chinese ports and with Article VI. of the treaty of Shimonoseki?

The general conditions, says the Standard, are such that the Russian Minister of Finance will be complete master of the enterprise. His approval is required for all administrative and technical appointments and instructions. The president of the company is appointed by the Chinese Government, as a kind of diplomatic representative on behalf of Chinese interests, but the election of the vice-president, who will be the real chief of the administration of the railway, depends upon the consent of the Russian Minister of Finance. The Chinese Government may either perchase the rallway after thirty-six years, or take possession without payment at the end of eighty years. The concession to the company includes commercial and industrial undertakings, the working of coal mines, &c. Goods in transit over the line will be free from all Chinese taxes. Merchandise imported by the railway into China from Russia vice version will pay one third less than the import or expert duties levied at the Chinese scaperts. The railway is to be guarded by the company's own

police force. ST. PETERSBURG December 27th. The Russian Manchurian Railway, or, as it i called in the concession, the Chinese Eastern Rallway, will start from a station on the Trans-Baikal section of the Trans Siberian Railway, Goorkha knives), grass knives, bamboo and from | haltu, and run through Manchur's in the direclances and only a small number of firearms. It tion of the towns of Tsitsihar, Khu-lan-chen, firearms in possession of the rebels on the south section of the Siberian line at the station of with a fair store of ammunition. They also churian Railway will be 2,280 miles, of which cannon with about one inch bore), which be 142 miles shorter than if built within the weapons at close range. In Imus they have ward of the latter in the region of better climate

> IMPERIAL CHINESE POSTAL SERVICE.

The following regulations made by the Governor under Section to of "The Post Office Ordisance, 1887," are published in the Gaustie: I .- From the 1st February, 1807, all ordinary mail matter collected by Chinese hongs for the Prinzels-Willhelm cruiser following ports in China must be taken to the Tisky ................ General Post Office for transmission to such. Sixiff ...... ports, vis. :--

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3.-Postage will be charged at the rate of cents per oz. on correspondence to Canton, and to cents per ox. on correspondence to-other places, a deduction being made on account of the weight of the bag.

4.-Pays ent shall be made by affixing postage stamps to the back of the address label. Note. -- Correspondence received under these regulations will be delivered by the Imperial Chinese Post Office to the verious agents of the establishments at the ports to which the bags

THE HONGKONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

[Saturday, 801h January, 1897.]

MOTIFICATIONS. No. 38-Publishes a list of books registered during the quarter ended Dec. 31st. No. 40-Notifies the cancellation of Memorial of Re-entry regarding Inland Lot No. 787.

No. 41-Contains the proceedings of the last meeting of the Sanliary Board. No. 42-Publishes a police order regarding

The Gazette also contains the usual list of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Telegraph Co.'s offices; the Post Office list of poste resignite correspondence, and list of letters, etc., for merekant versels

NOTANDA. CALENDAR.

FEBRUARY. Meteorological means based on ten years observations to 1893. . Barometer ............30.141 Thermometer ......57.3 Humidity .....79 Rainfal'..... 1:76 Inches. TO-DAY, WEATHER PEPORT. On date at On date at Barometer ..... 30.05

Thermometer ...... 70 Humidity ..... Rainfall ..... Monday, 1st February, 1807. Chinese. - 30th of 12th moon of 23nd year of fewi-h .- 29th Sebat. 5657. Krwong-sil. Mohammedan.—28th Shaaban, 1314: Sets .... 5hr. 48min. High water-Morning ..... 10hr. 15min. Afternoon ...... 8hr. 19min. Low water-Morning ..... Shr, 10min. Afternoon ...... 1hr. 42min. ANNIVERSARIES.

184t-Inhabitants of Hongkong declared British 1843-Foundation stone of the Hongkong Matonic Hall laid. village of Ap-lichow, "Hongkong,

Tuesday, 22nd January, 1897. Chinese. -1st of 1st moon of 23rd year of Jewish. - 301h Sebat; 5657. Mohammedan.—291% Shaaban, 1814. Sun-Rises ..... 6kr. 41min. Moon. New Moon ..... Shr. 50a.m. Afternoon ...... 9kr. 15min. Low water-Morning ..... 3hr. 48min. Afternoon ..... Shy Somin. ANNIVERSARIES. 1840-The Imperial Commissioner Lin addressed

letters to H. M. the Queen, complaining of the persistency of her subjects in sending opium to China, 1873-The German Club at Hongkong opened. 1886-The Po Luk Theatre, Hongkong, destroyed by fire."

1895-Weihalwel cltadel captured by the 1896-Sham carthquakes in Japan. MEMORANDA

To-MORROW, -2nd February. o s.m .- Prins Heinrich leaves for Bremen and ports of call. 9 p.m.-Willison's Circus on the Reclamation

WEDNESDAY,-3rd February. II a.m.-Outward French Mail closes. Noon. - Sydney leaves for Europe. THURSDAY, -4th February, Australian mail due.

SATURDAY, -- 6th February. American and Indian mails due. Moon,-Meeting of the Hongkong Ice Co., Ld. 9 p.m .- Military Display at the City Hall.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE: Australian (Airlie) 4th Inst. American (Peru) 6th last. India and Straits (Chelydra) 6th inst. Tacoma (Braemar) 8th inst. English (Rohitia) 8th inst. American (Copile) 18th inst. American (City of Rio de Faneiro) 20th inst.

THE steamship Moumouthshire, from Portland, Oregon, &c., left Nagasaki for this port to-day: THE Indo-China Co.'s steamship Chelydra. from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. on the 30th ulto.

SHIPPING RETURNS. From 6.p.m. Saturday to 5 p.m. to-day. 

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Intimation. CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 73-

THE CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS will be observed at this OFFICE and the KOWLOOM CURTOMS STATIONS from the 28th of the 12th Moon to the 3rd day of the 1st Moon (soth January to 4th February, both days inclusive), and during that period all Shipment, the discharge of fireworks during the Chinese Discharge, and Examination of Cargo will be suspended.

Custom House,

H. M. HILLIER. Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District Kewleen, sith January, 1897.

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CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

HE Undermentioned BANKS will b CLOSED for the Transaction of Public " A-Business TO-MORROW, the and February :-For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA. AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA, T. H. WHITEHEAD,

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CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager. For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,

Hongkong, 1st February, 1807. CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD. General Managers, HONORONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

Secretary INSURANCE SOCIETY CANTON, LD. KENNARD DAVIS,

Acting Agent, NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD. W. H. RAY.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO. LD. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Agents. YANGTSZEINSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD. GEORGE L. TOMLIN, Acting Secretary,

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD. WM. MACBEAN, Manager,

THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st February, 1807. HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO.

STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 8 PER CENT., or \$1.30 per Share, DECLARED at the Ordinary Helf-Yearly Meeting of Shares holders held This Day, will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on, and after MONDAY, the 1st February, 1897;

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for WARRANTS. By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD, Hongkong, 30th January, 1806.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

TOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the oth February, 1897, at 12 o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Twelve Months ending the 31st December, 1896.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 20th Jan. to TUESDAY, the oth February (both days inclusive), during which period no TRAMSFER OF SHARKS can be registerd.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER. Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited-Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1807. HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION:

ATOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEET. ING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 13th day of February next at NOOM, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Account to 316 December, 1896.

By Order of the Court of Directors. T. JACKSON. Chief Managen Horgkong, 27th January, 1807.

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NTOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS OF SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATUR-DAY, the 30th January current, to SATURDAY, the 13th day of February next (both days inclusive), during which period no TRAMEYER OF SHARES can be Registered. By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-RIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE. No. 2. Ouesn's Road Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 15th February, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1806. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

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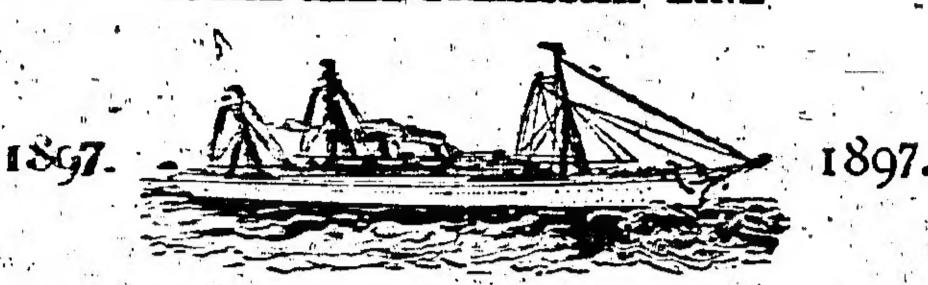
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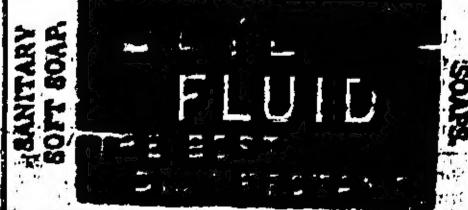
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ON TUESDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamahip "PRINZ HEINRICH." Captain Cuppers, with MAILS: PASSENGRS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES

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